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**QUESTION: IDENTIFY THE ROLES OF SPECIFIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION IN RESPONDING TO COVID 19 PANDEMIC GLOBALLY**

**Introduction:**

The roles of the specific international organizations’ in responding to the Corona virus infectious diseases 2019 pandemic globally, the outbreak of this infectious disease is a global issue upsetting the peace and stability of the individuals in the world and this pandemic has caused the situation whereby states tend to comply with other states in other to support and humanitarian action through the united nations and dozens of the international organizations.

In responding to the crisis international organizations tend to support in terms of assistance, monetary and in contributions to the poor individuals by rendering the support of the world health organization (WHO), support to the united nations children’s fund (UNICEF), support to the united nations refugee agency (UNHCR), and support of the world food program.

**ROLES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATION IN RESPONDING TO COVID 19 PANDEMIC GLOBALLY:**

Support of world health organization: WHO is currently coordinating the global COVID 19 pandemic and it is happening in more than 149 countries around the world, this broad-based effort would not be possible without the U.S support. The united states and some other significant states such as Great Britain, Germany, Japan have invested for decades in WHO’s emergency preparedness response capacity and expertise.

The united states have been the largest supporter in referring to the world health organization since the creation in 1948.United states contributed to WHO in 2019 surpassed million dollars almost the second largest member state contribution. This indicates that precautions in which the world health organization need to follow up to COVID 19 which include: the ability to strategically help countries to prepare and respond to patients and have adequate resources needed, providing accurate information and busting dangerous myths, WHO responded by training and mobilizing health workers and also these health organization inclines to pursuit for the vaccine of the COVID 19.

Support to the united nations children’s fund (UNICEF): In regarding to the united nations children, States continues to work vigorously with UNICEF to promote the health and well-being of children around the world. UNICEF is engaged in emergency actions in dozens of countries across the globe to provide critical medical supplies, expand water, sanitation and hygiene services, and educate about means of preventing the spread of the virus.

UNICEF was one of the first organizations to provide aid to the Chinese people during the COVID-19 pandemic. On January 29, for instance, UNICEF delivered 6 metric tons of respiratory masks and protective suits for health workers to Shanghai, for distribution in Wuhan. UNICEF is engaged in emergency actions in dozens of countries across the globe to provide critical medical supplies, expand water, sanitation and hygiene services, and educate about means of preventing the spread of the virus.

Support to united nations refugee agency: Refugee populations are uniquely vulnerable to

the COVID-19 pandemic, and support to UNHCR is unmatched. In 2019 the united states contributed nearly 1.7 billion dollars to UNHCR, making it clear that we care about human suffering no matter where it occurs while China also contributed $1.9 million.

Support to world food program: The World Food Program, through its Humanitarian Response Department, has sent more than 85 shipments to 74 countries to assist in COVID-19 responses, including 1.4 million units of personal protection equipment such as health kits. In 2019, the United States provided 42% of WFP’s $8 billion in resources, making the U.S. the largest contributor, and four times the next largest member state donation. The PRC provided just $30 million, Even in the midst of the pandemic, WFP maintains its goal to reach 86 million food insecure people.

In conclusion, the roles of international organization in responding to COVID 19 pandemic globally is a major way of educating and enlightening people and also helping people in order to solve the pandemic states tends to use organizations such as WHO and also states also prepare to help people who are in need to help reduce poverty such as World program program .All these organizations can be served as a role of international organization in response to the pandemic globally.